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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: SCHÄFER, S. ET AL - 2 PCT  
SERIAL NO.: 10/587,307 EXAMINER: Krishnan S. MENON  
FILED: AUGUST 29, 2006 GROUP: 1797  
TITLE: MEMBRANE FILTER UNIT AND METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION  
OF THE MEMBRANE FILTER UNIT

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a) (1)

**MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2008 for one month from January 18, 2009 to February 18, 2009. A check in the amount of \$130.00, covering the fee for a one-month extension for a Large Entity is enclosed herewith. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit Account No. 03-2468.

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